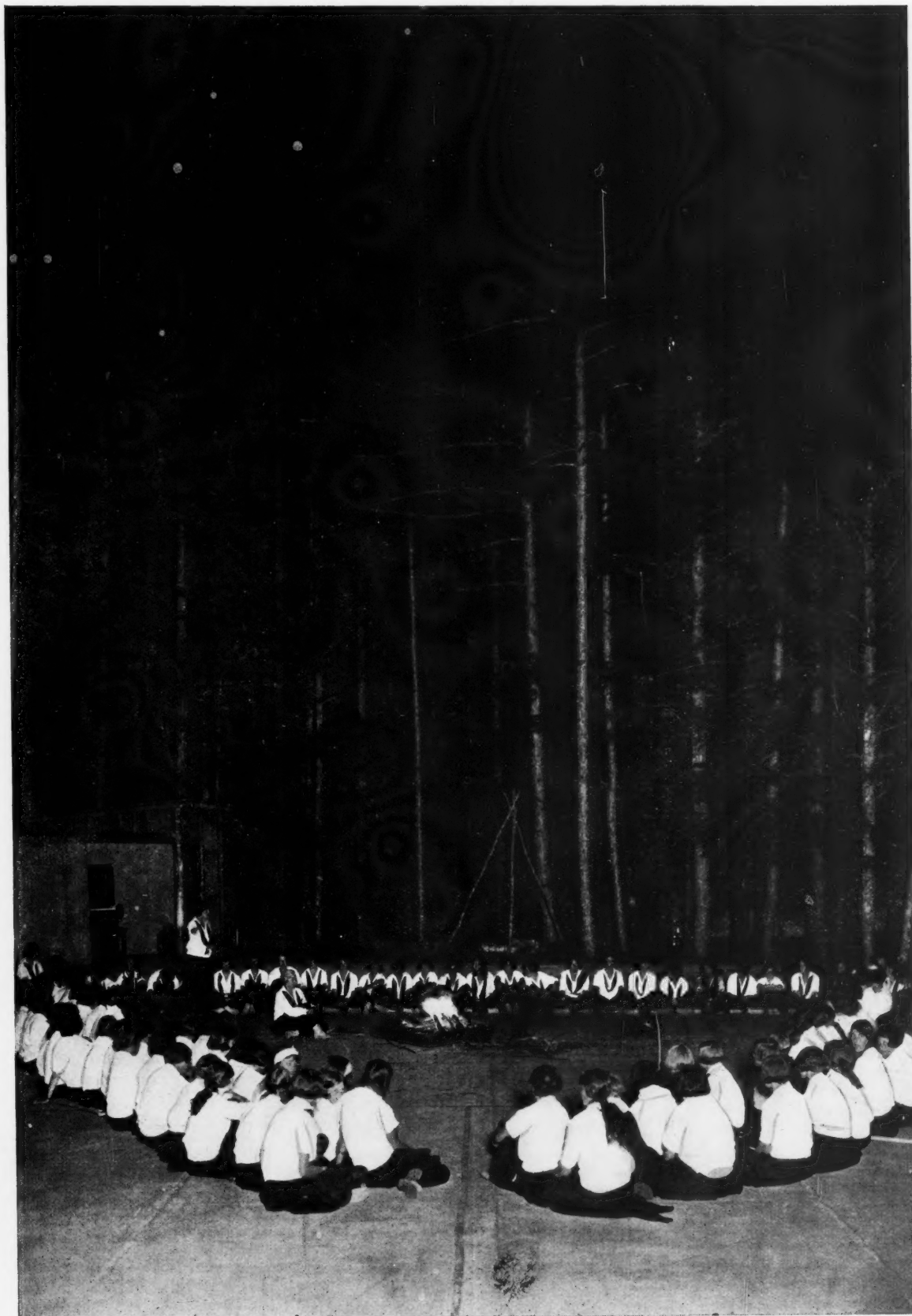


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EDITORIALS

CAMPING AND CAMP LIFE

As associate editor of *Camping* and as managing editor of *Camp Life*, I should like to say a few words in behalf of both publications.

Camping is the official organ of the C.D.A., and, as stated in the May issue, is not published for financial profit. *Camp Life* is not the official organ or representative of any organization, nor does it intend to be. It is published for financial profit, whatever profit it may derive from giving service in its field with no compromise of its principles. After two years of struggle, Ben Solomon has succeeded in putting the publication solidly upon its feet. It needs ask no favors, it is more than self-supporting and its future bright.

Camping, too, should look forward to a wholesome growth. While not published for profit, it can and will be more useful in proportion as membership in the Association grows, and especially as associate members and counselors support it by regular subscriptions. There are thousands of camp counselors who *should* keep up with the progress of the C.D.A. as reflected in the pages of its official spokesman. A word from a director to each senior counselor and department counselor this summer would go far toward adding to the sinews of progress upon which the larger service of *Camping* depends. Then, if the director would send a list of such counselors, with their home addresses, to the editor in chief, they could be reminded of the opportunity to enroll as readers of our authorized journal. They could be recruited as a third line of reserves, so to speak.

Camp Life aims to spread over a much wider field than that of private summer camps, and should in no wise be looked upon as a competitor in the publishing field. As an editor on the staffs of both journals, I am hoping that there may evolve a policy and plan of coöperation which will be of growing reciprocal advantage. There will always be points of contact and collaboration. There should be little overlapping. The fact that the C.D.A. conducts a department in *Camp Life* is an earnest endeavor to this effect. The C.D.A. message can be carried through these pages to a larger reading public than is now possible for *Camping* and the editorial policy of *Camp Life* is sufficiently in accord with the principles for which the C.D.A. stands so that it is very doubtful if there will ever be any major differences of opinion as to fundamental policies.

I personally had a small part in the starting of both these publications, and have tried to be of service to both in whatever way I could. I have a growing vision of what can be done through two such instruments for the promotion of the gospel of better camping. It is only because I have reason to believe that there are some who wonder what the differences or relationships between the two are that I have ventured to set down thus briefly my viewpoint and my hope.

A. E. HAMILTON

LIVING CREATIVELY

The creative spirit is in every child. It is for the development of this creative spirit that the summer camp should exist. One way in which work that develops the creative instinct may be carried on is through the use of a program embodying what are known as units of work in the social and natural sciences. These afford an opportunity for language, handwork, rhythm and dramatization. To make things is much better than to buy things already made. One of the memories of Camp Wohelo that will always live, is the making of marionettes or puppets and investing them with life, by using them as characters in puppet plays, written by the makers of the puppets. Mrs. Luther Gulick believed in the thinking or creative hand. Creative expression should be encouraged because it leads on to worth-while discovery and invention; trains the camper to think and plan and work tirelessly toward his goal; develops self-confidence, poise, and a sense of humor. The camp that is not making provision for creative expression is missing the mark, as well as the high calling of the profession of camp director. Help your campers to live creatively.

H. W. GIBSON

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STIMULATING STUFF FOR THE SEASON'S SUCCESS

By H. W. GIBSON

The alert camp director has his plan carefully developed by this time of the year and is eagerly pushing the promotion of camp enrollment so that the quota will be reached not later than June 15. Enrollments seem to arrive earlier in the season now than in the days of old, and parents are gradually coming to understand the need of camping experience for their children, which, of course, reduces the number of calls which a director found necessary to make in order to secure campers. There will always be calls to make, for no director would think of giving up the personal touch with parents and campers. There is much evidence, too, that the camping movement is experiencing a greater feeling of security as compared with the feeling of uncertainty which prevailed a decade ago.

Counselors at this time of year should be constantly stimulated in their preparation for the responsibility of leading campers in ways of outdoor living. What a thrill awaits counselors and campers! Released from jangling jazz and radio noises, children will come to camp where there are no paving blocks and asphalt pavements, no telegraph and telephone poles, no factory smoke and glare of electric light to blot out the blue of the skies and the stars at night — come to a new world of open spaces and limitless heights. What wonderful stories may be told these city-bred children by counselors who need

not the aid of the book crutch and to whom the out-of-doors is a part of their life, and birds, butterflies, flowers, trees are real things. Such a counselor will store up during the spring time a lot of information learned by observation which may be passed on to admiring groups in camp in the summer time.

Note books are now being developed and contain all sorts of ideas and information such as rainy day stunts, jokes for minstrel shows, stories to read, riddles to propound, acts for shows, odd things about nature — a treasure chest to be opened when in need.

Costumes will be stored in the camp box, dunnage bag, steamer trunk or whatever receptacle is used to carry baggage to camp, in readiness for the "big show." They come in mighty handy and it is remarkable how old clothes shine in regal splendor at a camp show or pageant. Camp is the place where discarded clothing does not suffer by comparison with the "better stuff" back home.

Workmen are now busy putting the buildings and equipment in good condition and repair, tents are being strengthened, mattresses restored, furniture painted and relieved of squeaks and danger signals, everything is being renewed in such an attractive manner that even the old timer will give shouts of satisfaction and approval. Camp morale deteriorates in proportion to equipment deterioration.

A piano out of tune will soon cause campers to be out of tune. A chair that wiggles and waggles will influence campers to be in the same condition, and what is worse than a crowd of campers and counselors who have the wiggles and waggles!

Transportation problems and details will not be put off until the 'leventh hour. The wise director has such matters attended to ere this.

Directors and counselors owe their constituency a happy countenance, a cheerful spirit and a radiant personality when the camps open. No season will be a success unless it starts off with these indispensable assets.

Oh, yes! There are the parents, bless them! We would not have a constituency for the summer if it were not for parents, would we! Don't consider them a liability but look upon them as a cooperating asset. If you want to read a thoughtful article on parents' rights, read the courageous article written by Faith Baldwin in the May number of the *Cosmopolitan*. It is entitled "I Have My Rights, Too." In the light of modern educational trends this article is indeed refreshing. Let us get the parents' viewpoint and then, perhaps, we will not only better understand them but they will the better understand us. Director plus counselor plus camper plus parent form a combination capable of producing a citizenship that will prove a tremendous force in tomorrow's world.

CELEBRATING THE FOURTH

By J. E. SANDERS

For most of us who direct camps there is probably little glamor and excitement left in shooting firecrackers — but it is equally true that most of our campers have not reached that stage of resignation and senility. Furthermore, if there is anything more delightfully satisfying to many of our youngsters than merely shooting a firecracker, it is to arrange that the explosion occur unexpectedly under the feet of some one else. The combination of one exploding firecracker plus one jumping spectator seems to be wholly irresistible for many youngsters.

There are just two kinds of camps these days as far as we know — those in which campers have their own fireworks and those in which they do not. The second group is undoubtedly in the majority but there are many in the other class. It is well to remember that every "harmless" firecracker, torpedo, sparkler and the others of the family can be used as a dangerous weapon. Furthermore, unless they are used carefully and intelligently they are quite likely to become dangerous

weapons. If we prefer to allow our campers the "education" and the "fun" of handling their own fireworks, then surely we owe them the responsibility of assuring ourselves that they have some conception of the potency of the toys with which they play.

Last year in the United States 195 persons were killed on the Fourth of July as the result of handling fireworks. Of this number 31 were children under six years of age and 122 were between the ages of six and twenty. This does not take into account the large number of injuries from powder burns which may later develop into fatal cases of tetanus. Many of these accidents were caused by the so-called "safe" fireworks. Sparklers in a number of cases ignited the clothing of children who were cruelly burned. Torpedoes caused several cases of blindness. Fire crackers thrown carelessly inflicted severe injuries as well as causing fires in homes and explosions in gasoline tanks of automobiles.

A great percentage of the camps which

bar fireworks individually do provide some group celebration in which there is a fireworks display. Campers may contribute to this joint fund, parents may also contribute and all fireworks sent to camp are usually turned over to the committee in charge. This is a very great improvement and there is much to be said in its favor. There are several facts to be remembered about this, however. First of all, it is a sad and lamentable fact that appointment to a committee does not *per se* increase the brains or the horse sense or the caution of any one. Furthermore, an exploding firecracker draws no distinctions whatever between committeemen and non-committeemen. Of even more pertinence is the fact that in these joint celebrations we usually spend more money, which means larger and more dangerous displays. Anything possessing the potential danger of our fourth of July fire works deserves to be handled with the greatest respect and wise is the camp director who handles the matter in this way.

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As the films entertain as well as instruct,



it is thought that many camp directors will welcome them for evening programs. The idea of using films at summer camps is by no means new. Some few have already been taking advantage of motion pictures, but for most directors there has



themselves. All of them are printed on non-inflammable stock. Each picture is an example of what a trained personnel can accomplish under the direction of a university staff, and many of the films have been shown with marked success as part of both school and college courses. Such titles as the following make up the list: "The Ecology of Plants," "Nesting of the Sea Turtle," "Simple Animal Forms"

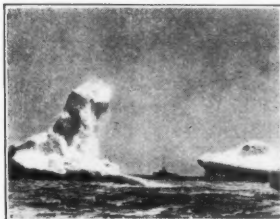


(microscopic), "Brief History of Transportation," "The International Ice Patrol," "The Etcher's Art," and several others dealing with geography and foreign peoples, of which "Medieval Moderns"—peasants of the Hungarian plain—is one of the most amusing.

Anyone interested in learning more about showing films at camp, would do well to get in touch with the Foundation.

been the problem of projection facilities, as well as the greater question of a dependable source from which to secure suitable films. However, the organization at Harvard now plans to have a small truck to transport its films, operators, screens, and machines from camp to camp, and to furnish the necessary current.

The most interesting thing about this proposed film service is the list of films



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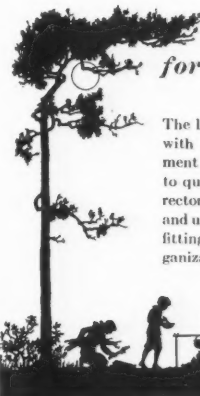
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"The dominant, pervading purpose of the Ahmek experiment" writes Dr. Dimock, "was the development of ideals, appreciations, attitudes, abilities and habits which are essential for an effective participation in the social life." With such a purpose and under almost ideal conditions, Dr. Dimock proceeded to try out, with the cooperation of the camp director, counselors and campers, the plan of making the whole life of the camp the curriculum.

The results of this experiment should be carefully read by every director of a camp, whether private or organizational, or for boys or girls. It is written in the language of the modern, progressive school of education. Old and new methods are skillfully handled and evaluations made in a fair and just manner. It is, without question, the most valuable contribution to the literature of the organized camp movement that has come from the press.

Chapter XI suggests a number of problems for research and experimentation worthy of a "try out" in some of the camps this season.

Chapter XIV on "Current Trends and Problems in the Camping Movement," contains the following paragraphs of special significance to the Camp Directors Association.

"Camp directors, through the Camp Directors Association or otherwise, will probably become more closely related to the large educational and scientific associations. The Camp Directors Association should operate a national office with a full-time personnel executive staff to stimulate and coordinate, particularly the educational aspects of camping. Publicity, though important in educating the public to the educational possibilities of the camp should not be the primary purpose of such a national office. The stimulation and coordination of experimentation and research in the areas of program, behavior adjustment, supervision and measurement of results would be the greatest contribution any central headquarters could make to the educational camp movement at large."

"Special funds for research and experimentation must be secured from some source within or without the camp movement. Perhaps our research foundations will see an opportunity in the summer camp for some research and experimentation of a character meriting their support."

"Camping will not have achieved its educational possibilities until it has not only allied itself more closely with educational and social science agencies, but has actually contributed through research and experiment to the enrichment of the educational processes themselves."

The book contains a carefully worked out series of questions upon the chapter material for use in camp leadership courses conducted by colleges, and universities, organizations promoting camps and in camps themselves. The bibliography is actually a "selected" bibliography and exceedingly valuable for reference and study.

H. W. G.

Modern Archery. By ARTHUR W. LAMBERT, JR. A. S. Barnes and Company, N. Y. \$3.00.

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H. W. G.

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MARIAN KING

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To fill unexpired term 1931: Mr. Raymond Frank, Camp Kawanhee

Five applications for membership were presented.

The sale of the printed report of the Section prescribed at the national meeting at Atlantic City, "The Place of the Organized Camp in the Field of Education" has been very large. Dr. Fretwell purchased two hundred and fifty copies for distribution among the students in the Camp Leadership Course at Teachers College.

There were resolutions of appreciation of the service of the past national president, H. W. Gibson, the new national president, Dr. John P. Sprague, and the secretary-treasurer, Miss Laura I. Mattoon. These resolutions, presented by Dr. J. Wilfred Allen, were unanimously adopted by the Section.

"We, the members of the New York Section of the C.D.A., desire to place on record our hearty appreciation of the unselfish, self-sacrificing and unremitting labors of Mr. H. W. Gibson who for the past three years has been our national president and who during that time has greatly aided and advanced the highest and best interests of camping among the young people of the world.

"When the history of modern camping is written Mr. Gibson's name will stand among those who laid the foundations of this great movement."

"We, the members of the New York Section of the C.D.A., wish to extend to Dr. John P. Sprague our hearty congratulations over his election as national president and at the same time to pledge our earnest support in all his plans for furthering the work and influence of our association."

"We, the members of the New York Section of the C.D.A., wish to congratulate Miss Laura I. Mattoon upon her reelection to the highly important position of national secretary and, at the same time, to voice our deep and sincere appreciation of her work during the past five years, during which period she has given much time, thought, and unremitting labor, most unselfishly, in the interests of this association and the camping movement."

"We trust that in the very near future the national Association will in a more

substantial way show its appreciation of Miss Mattoon's labor."

Dr. Clyde Fisher of the American Museum of Natural History gave a most interesting address on the subject of "Nature Study in Camp." Mr. Raymond B. Johnson gave an address on "Books and Reading in Camp."

NEW ENGLAND SECTION

The officers re-elected at the meeting held April 6 at the University Club, Boston, are as follows: *president*, Frank E. Poland, Camp Medomak; *vice-president*, John W. Waters, Camp Massapoag; *secretary-treasurer*, Mrs. C. A. Roys, Teela-Wooket Camps; *recording secretary*, Miss Abigail P. Hazeltine, Camp Anawan.

MEETING OF MID-ATLANTIC SECTION

The spring conference of the Mid-Atlantic Section of the national Camp Directors Association was held April 27, 1929, at the Lee House Hotel in this city. The meeting was called to order at ten o'clock by the president, Edward N. Smith of Richmond Va. The directors present came from Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina, representing private as well as institutional camps — Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., and the Girl Scouts of both Baltimore and Washington, D. C.

The morning session was devoted to business and to the discussion of problems arising in the business of camping. After lunch the section was addressed by Miss Jessie LaSalle, assistant superintendent of schools of Washington, in charge of the Research Department. Miss LaSalle spoke on "The Problems of the Adolescent Age" showing how the boy or girl at this period may be helped to solve them by a season at camp under the wise guidance of trained director and counselors.

THE ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE

By RICHARD W. DESHON

On April 27, at the Boston City Club, was held the final conference of the season. Walter H. Bentley, Stanley R. Oldham and Walter H. Sears of *Camp Wyanoke*; Everett P. Wilder of *Camp Sparta*; Harry R. Dane of *Glenbrooke*; Henry A. Ambrose of *Day Mountain Camp*; Elmer E. Ellsworth of *Camp Passaconaway*; Lyman A. Morhouse of *Camp Becket*; and Lorimer E. Goodwin, of *Medomak Camp* were present.

Mr. Goodwin, connected with a well-known insurance broker, spoke at length on camp insurance.

The question was raised as to the feasibility of camps setting aside a fund to take care of losses instead of carrying insurance.

The main topics of the day, forestry, was introduced by Mr. Sears, who referred to the conference held last December at the Appalachian Mountain Club. He

stated that forestry is not only a matter of trees, but all campercraft that tends to harmonize the boy to his environment. At Wyanoke, forestry is used for all nature work. Like a camp chaplain, the success of the counselor in charge of nature work depends on his own personality. In New England, where the opportunities are so excellent, forestry should be a 100 per cent major activity at all camps.

Mr. Dane told how much was done in an informal way in forestry at Glenbrooke. On his camp property he has planted a wide variety of trees. Mr. Oldham told how the economic side of forestry was neglected at the camps. He suggested having boys collect the destructive insects and study them. He also advised warning campers against picking the rare wild flowers, such as the pitcher plant.

A NEW GROUP ORGANIZED

As *Camping* goes to press, word was received of the formation of the Twin City Camp Directors Association, Minneapolis and St. Paul, on May 21, with Paul Bremicker of Minneapolis, chairman and Terrance L. Webster, Minneapolis secretary. At the opening meeting on May 20, about fifty camp directors and counselors registered. A fine program on the "Profane Boy and the Problem Girl" was presented. Dr. H. E. Chamberlain, psychiatrist, led the discussion. Congratulations and best wishes to the new organization.

NEW MEMBERS, C.D.A.

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F. Howland
Glendale-in-the-Pines, Freehold, N. J.
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Active

- L. L. Tonton
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Mid-Atlantic Section

- Mrs. H. F. Traut
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- Mrs. Charles Harter
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Hill School, Pottstown, Pa.

Mid-West Section

- Mr. Albert Van S. Pulling
Camp Mishike, Mishike, Vilas Co., Wis.
1701 Regent St., Madison, Wis.

TRAINING CONFERENCES

CLEVELAND CAMP INSTITUTE

A combination camp and institute is conducted by the Group Work Course, School of Applied Social Sciences of Western Reserve University and the Cleveland Camp Council. The fourth season will be from May 29 to June 2, at the Harkness Camps near Willoughby, Ohio, and is open to students, directors and counselors. Courses are given in Camp Craft, by Fay Welch, Barbara Joy and Leah Mithman; Dramatics, Oleda Schrotky; Games and Story Telling, Estelle Bonnell; Handcraft, Frank Skalak, Marjorie Tyrrell, Louise Morris; Health and Hygiene, Virginia Wing, Philip Riley; Music, Imogene Ireland; Nature, A. B. Williams, Jr., Dr. W. G. Vinal, Dorothy Treat, Edmund Vance Cooke, Jr.; Program Planning, Zelah Heinbaugh, Thornton W. Merriam, Clara Kaiser; Mental Hygiene, Dr. Oscar B. Markey; Swimming, Canoeing, Water Front Safety, Paul W. Goss, Mrs. Henry Busch.

The camp director is Henry M. Busch of Western Reserve University, assisted by Miss Isabel P. Kennedy, director of Cold Springs Camp and W. I. Newstetter, director of the Harkness Camps.

SCHOOL OF HORSEMANSHIP

Enrollments for the School of Horsemanship are coming in very well indeed, but this is just to remind you directors that we hope your riding instructor will be present and that you will make the necessary enrollment as soon as possible.

Regardless of previous training or experience, a riding instructor attending the School of Horsemanship will absorb the enthusiasm of a most interesting group, and the value of the interchange of ideas with fellow-instructors would, in itself, warrant the expense and time.

A week of intensive work under the staff of instructors secured for this season's school is bound to be of great value to your instructor and to your camp.

It is with a great deal of pride that we announce the staff of instructors for the 1929 conference. Mr. Frederick Boswell, an ex-officer of the British army, will be in charge again this year. Mr. Boswell has for ten years been head of riding for the Teela-Wooket Camps, supervising riding and teaching fencing during the school year at Dana Hall School. He will be assisted by Captain Frank L. Carr, a graduate of Fort Riley (now a riding instructor at West Point). Captain Carr brings to us the best in horsemanship from the point of view of the United States army. Also Mr. A. H. Mitchell, owner and director of the Mitchell School for Boys; Mr. Albert Scholl, principal of a school in Watertown, N. Y., and a member of the regular riding staff at Teela-Wooket; and Miss Ann Louise Hutchinson, a young woman who has been a member of the Teela-Wooket staff for several years. Miss Hutchinson is the daughter of the treasurer of Ringling

Brothers' Circus. She has been given prominence in the newspapers this spring because of her spectacular work as the substitute rider of the show's famous high jumping horse, Sunnybrook.

Riding is becoming more and more popular every day. It is a spectacular sport. Your girls and boys want it. A good or a bad riding department may affect your enrollment.

If you send your instructor to the conference sponsored by your Association he will not only receive a fine preparation for his work, but you will know exactly how he rates as an instructor.

C. A. ROYS

Chairman, Horsemanship Conference

COUNSELOR'S COURSE

The University of Iowa, Iowa City is announcing its second Conference for Camp Counselors, June 8-21, 1929. "The peculiar advantages of this conference are the opportunity to earn university credit, and the unusually wide choice of courses. The nature work will be expanded this year and a flexible schedule will make it possible to combine with any other course. Six units of work will be offered: Canoeing, Swimming, Camp Craft, Camp Organization, Physical Education in Camp, and Nature Study. . . . Each unit will give one hour of academic credit. . . . Varied programs will be arranged for recreation as well as small group discussions, general meetings and singing."

Miss Marjorie Camp will direct the conference and Miss Barbara Joy will give the two units Camp Craft and Camp Organization. Other members of the staff will be Miss Elizabeth Halsey, Miss Margaret Lea, and Miss Jane Shurmer.

The fee for the course will be \$15. Registration in each unit will be limited to 25. Those interested should get in touch with Miss Marjorie Camp, Department of Physical Education for Women, University of Iowa, Iowa City.

FORESTRY AND WOODCRAFT CONFERENCE

The announcement is made by the Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests, that a Conference on Forestry and Woodcraft will be held at Camp Kehonka, Wolfeboro, N. H., Miss Mattoon's beautiful camp, June 18-25. The instructors will be Professor E. V. Jotter of the faculty of the School of Forestry and Conservation, University of Michigan; Mr. G. H. Collingwood, Forester of the American Forestry Association, Washington, D. C.; Mr. W. R. Mattoon, Extension Forester of the United States Forest Service; John H. Foster, State Forester of New Hampshire; Karl W. Woodward, Professor of Forestry at the University of New Hampshire; Kenneth E. Barraclough, Extension Forester of New Hampshire; Philip W. Ayres, Forester, of the society

conducting the conference; and Warren F. Hale of the State Foresters office of New Hampshire. With such an array of experts the conference should be a decided success. The cost for the course is \$30, including board, five dollars of which is to be paid as a registration fee.

Write to Philip W. Ayres, Secretary, 4 Joy Street, Boston, Mass., for registration blanks and additional information.

DECISIONS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Note. The following additional decisions of the Board of Directors made at the Atlantic City meeting were inadvertently omitted from the record printed in the April number of *Camping*.

Finance Committee

It was decided to continue the present Finance Committee which, among its tasks, will give particular attention to the question of the Fund so enthusiastically launched a year ago.

Grievance Committee

A national Grievance Committee was appointed, consisting of Miss Mattoon, Mr. Walter H. Bentley and Mr. Frederick Guggenheimer. After each section has thoroughly investigated complaints or criticisms of any nature their findings are to be submitted to this national committee for action.

Endowment fund

An Endowment Fund Committee was appointed, with Col. L. L. Rice as chairman. Col. Rice is to appoint the other members.

Insurance Committee

It was decided that each section should appoint a committee to investigate thoroughly the subject of insurance for camps.

A motion was made and unanimously carried to invite Mr. H. W. Gibson, our retiring president, to sit in at all meetings of the Board of Directors.

L. I. MATTOON

HEARTHSTONE REVERIE

By CHARLES D. RICE
at the Dedication of the Fireplace
at Camp Massapoag

Now as you sit beside the hearth,
Throw in all that is bad —
Your evil thoughts, that hidden grudge,
And all that makes men sad.

Throw in all hate and selfishness,
Your worries and your care;
Throw in the mean things you have
planned,
And all that is unfair.

Then, as this rubbish burns away,
The flames come red and blue;
Your heart finds peace; there's naught
between
Your God and man and you.

A FOUR-PERIOD PROGRESSIVE PROGRAM FOR GIRLS' CAMPS

The New England Section of the Camp Directors' Association through a committee of Maynard L. Carpenter, chairman, Mrs. Helen King, Mrs. Nellie Winchester, Mrs. Wilfred O. White, Roland H. Cobb presented the following report.

Aim: a basic progressive camp program which

1. Is general enough to be adapted to each camp's peculiarities and specific enough to be useful.

2. Will in each of the periods encourage the individual camper to get a well-rounded, worth-while camp experience and if completed through the four periods will produce a camper of unquestioned value to the world in general and the camp movement in particular.

Methods of use

1. Can be used "as is" by fitting to local conditions.

2. Can be used as a background for present award system whether medals, cups or privileges are awarded.

3. Can be used as a background for present group system whether they are called Indians, Bluebirds or what not.

4. Can be used by the director in his own plans and never mentioned to staff or campers.

Remarks

Camper's age, previous experience, home training, and versatility will be the governing factors in the individual's promotion from one period to the next.

Taking into consideration the blessing that camps are not standardized it would seem impossible for any program to put down hard and fast regulations in tests to be used. The details must be worked out to suit local conditions.

Program can be credited to no individual or committee but is founded somewhat upon various suggestions made at the New England meeting of the C. D. A. in November, 1928. The names of the periods (apprentice camper, etc.) were suggested by Mrs. E. L. Gulick.

PERIOD NUMBER 1, *apprentice camper*

Keynote, knowledge

This period has to do entirely with the primary teachings. The camper learns to swim and to ride. Takes a nibble at all activities and does not specialize in any. Learns to live peaceably with her camp

mates and to cooperate with the staff members she comes in touch with. Adapts herself to the daily schedule as presented. She learns punctuality and the fundamental laws of health, such as, cleanliness (inside and out), proper eating, and wise sleeping.

This period may be quickly passed through in the case of older and more experienced girls or it may cover an interval of several seasons in a case in which the girls are very young.

She would leave this period when she has passed the particular beginners' tests which have been laid down in her camp.

Tests

Water sports. Show that enough knowledge has been gained to care for oneself in ordinary conditions.

Land sports. Know the general rules of the games.

Trips. Take the prescribed simple trips. The leaders to watch carefully the girl's reaction, both physical and mental, and to judge her ability to take and enjoy harder trips.

Crafts. Show ability to make the simplest of things offered.

Health, happiness and cooperation. Show a satisfactory physical reaction to the camp program and a mental attitude toward camp mates and staff which produces friendship and happiness.

Nature, camp craft and forestry. Tests upon these subjects must depend upon the method of instruction used and the facilities which the camp offers.

PERIOD NUMBER 2, *journeyman camper*

Keynote, progress

This period is, by one step, advanced beyond the beginners and a bigger bite of all activities is to be taken but still specializing in none. She shows signs of becoming a social being, learning the team or gang spirit and showing willingness to sacrifice for the good of the group or for the ideal.

Tests

Along the same line as in the previous period, except that in each case they would be harder and more comprehensive. The Junior Life Saving Corps, and the many standard athletic tests will work well in some camps. Competitive games will also take on an added value. Trips should be longer and harder.

PERIOD NUMBER 3, *full camper*

Keynote, practice

It is in this period that the individuality of the camper begins to assert itself. On the fundamental knowledge gained in the other two periods, she should now begin practicing. She should know the activities in which she has become most interested and should spend some of her time perfecting herself in these things. She should be assigned or take for herself projects on which she can work with the help of the camp staff. Accomplishment and individuality should be taken into consideration.

Projects should call for work and study and should be as complete as possible even to manufacturing the materials worked with wherever possible (for instance, in spinning, if native wool is at hand, she should become familiar with the processing). Trips should be ones which challenge the physical and mental make-up of the girl. Her attitude toward camp mates and staff should be one of cooperation and helpfulness.

This period may last all the rest of the years the girl attends camp for the working out of one project should suggest another and a harder and the interest will thus be kept alive.

PERIOD NUMBER 4, *master camper or junior counselor*

Keynote, service

This period must be limited to a certain few who have proved exceptional in character, in social response, general outlook on life and in health; and who have the ability to pass on to others the knowledge, love and enthusiasm which have come to them during the other three periods.

It is a preparation period for full staff membership and should be treated as such. Responsibility under supervision should be given.

A well-prepared junior counselorship course should be regularly conducted and plenty of normal work assigned.

This period may and presumably should last for several seasons and the rank secured when her camp days are over or when the contract is closed for full staff membership in the camp of her training or in another camp upon the recommendation of her director.

MORE CAMP CATALOGUES

We feel that this catalogue is done with a "nicety."

Why Wa-Wa-Na-Sa? A glance at the pictorial map in the middle spread of this camp catalogue will answer this question. The pictures in this map cannot fail to appeal to the child — as they show all the out-of-door activities which are enjoyed at Camp Wa-Wa-Na-Sa.

"*Boyhood's opportunity*" is again realized as one looks through the Medomak Camp booklet. As in previous years, this catalogue contains many "snappy" and interesting pictures.

Map idea used effectively! Camp Pas-saconaway is situated in Lake Winnepe-saukee. Its appropriate location is at once seen by a glance at the cover of the

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"*In the spirit of the boy*" is what one feels as he looks at the beautiful activity pictures which fill the Camp Idlewild catalogue. In other words, they are full of "vim, vigor and vitality"!

"*The happy gypsy life*" is indeed reflected in every page of the Ragged Mountain catalogue. The pictures seem to give one a charm of happiness and freshness that most certainly appeals.

KEEPING CAMP INTEREST ALIVE

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it will be seen that with each one the story advances.

Do not try to include too much in the picture. Have the background of the picture contribute to, rather than detract from, the story. The object about which the story is being pictured should always be made to occupy the central point of attraction in the picture. Care should be taken that the background is never of a distracting character.

The Picture Record Takes Form

Now when these story-telling pictures of an activity or pastime have been made, they are to be collected in a consecutive picture history. That is what constitutes a picture record of camp life. There one has the whole story of what he has done, graphically shown in story form by the aid of the camera. This is something that can be kept for a life time and will never lose its interest. Its value will grow from year to year, as these pictures of camp activities are kept in consecutive record form. As an illustration of what is meant, the following is a description of what a picture record of a nature study hike would contain. Let it grow in your imagination as you mentally take this hike.

The group is ready to go. Make a picture of the start with the members just on their way. Perhaps you would like a picture of the group looking towards the camera so that all may be recognizable. Good! Let's snap it but that is hardly a story-telling picture. Let's catch them in the act of picking up the packs and again just as they are moving off — these will be story-telling pictures. Then there will be many chances along the way. Possibly a picture of a hiker examining some flower or plant life. Be sure that the flower, plant or tree is the center of attention and that the camper examining it does not look at the camera.

Make a picture of the camp site with someone pointing out its advantages and spots of interest. Another picture: starting the fire, being careful to show the method used. Make a picture of a meal in preparation, showing how the food was carried, prepared and cooked. Show in a picture the care taken in putting the last ember of the fire out. If it is an overnight hike, make a picture of how the camp is arranged. Take other pictures of each interesting incident and observation on the return trip and arrival back at camp. Should the hike take just a morning or afternoon, the picture record would grow as suggested with the wayside camp and meal pictures omitted.

There is the idea with but a few of the picture possibilities suggested. The record of the hike is there with all that has been learned and all the good times had in learning it. It is there to refresh the memory. It is there to tell the story to family and friends. It is the very hike itself always at hand and each succeeding picture

record of a hike of any kind will bring out more interesting things. And, of course, the hike is but one opportunity.

Picture records should be made of camp activities. They are invaluable to summer camp life for many purposes.

Interest Value

From the point of view of picturing camp life, story-telling picture records will add to the interest in and efficiency of all camp activities. Such records need little or no written description. They are a means to the end and are not an end in themselves. Here is what we mean: it is agreed on every hand that story-telling pictures are invaluable when it comes to making camp activities really count, in addition to preserving interest that would otherwise be dimmed as time goes on. The members of the camp will be taught to be better observers. They will learn to know more quickly what their activities mean to them because of what is required to make interesting story-telling pictures.

From this same point of view, story-telling pictures will put into the hands of camp directors and counselors a most satisfactory means of creating even more interest in camp activities. These records do not require any additional activities on the part of the camp or any additional counselors or any change of program whatsoever. By means of these picture records, amateur photography is made to contribute to all the activities of the camps, no matter what the particular emphasis of a camp may be. And herein lies the real value of picture records to any kind of summer camp. Upon this basis of *real worth*, picture records cannot be too strenuously pushed as a means to increase interest and efficiency in summer camp programs. Expensive camera equipment is not necessary for making the kind of pictures required and everyone knows that picture making is fascinating fun.

Publicity Value

Then there is the publicity feature that should attract the attention of all those responsible for summer camp promotional work. It is intended as part of the plan that the picture records of the individual members of a camp shall be used as a basis of selection for pictures to make up camp or camp group picture records, and these in turn to provide material for the general or official camp picture record.

Just imagine what a tremendous sort of real, vital, personal publicity material this will be. These story-telling pictures, taken by the members of the camps themselves, are personally interesting. They will be interesting not only to the camp members and families, and their friends, but to all who see them because they tell the real camp story.

There are two ways that these story-telling picture records will act as camp publicity matter. The members themselves will show the pictures many times between camping seasons and add enthusiastic verbal description to each. They

will be something more than mere snapshots. They will tell their own story at a glance and camp members will examine them again and again. All this is fundamental, personal publicity that carries with it the highest promotional value. Camp emphasis can be securely entrenched in the minds of all the persons the camp directors want to reach with their message — properly illustrated.

Then there are the camp booklets and prospectus that are used at promotional and registration time. These can be made vitally personal by using pictures that camp members have furnished from their story-telling picture records. When these booklets are sent to former camp members, they will carry with them a personal interest on the part of the members that can be secured in no other way, for they will have had their part in making the illustrations. Camp reunions will be made more interesting as camp, group, lodge and other records with accompanying pictures are gone over.

There is no better way to stir the imagination of camp members and prospective members than through the use of story-telling picture records. Each camp director should make story-telling picture records a permanent camp activities method.

NEWS ITEM

From May 13-25 Jordan Marsh Company held its annual camp display. The ninth floor of the annex was converted into a real camp — Camp Jordan — with woodland scenes and exhibits. Each day was devoted to a special group, such as Boy Scout Day, Camp Fire Girls' Day, Aviation Day, Camp Directors' Day. M. Mercier Kendig of the Educational Department of the *Red Book Magazine* was in charge of an information booth, where parents might select the right camp for their children. Latest styles of camp clothing were shown and the closing day was devoted to general camp activities.

One of the most valuable bibliographies compiled on camp safety hygiene and sanitation has just been issued by the National Safety Council, 1 Park Avenue, New York City. Copies have been sent to all the members of the C.D.A. Additional copies may be had by writing to the address of the Council.

QUANTITY RECIPE BOOK

Prepared especially for the management of summer camps and resorts, country clubs, and hotels, is a quantity recipe book entitled *112 Tested Recipes for Serving Twenty-five to Fifty People*, which is being distributed free upon request by the Evaporated Milk Association, 231 South LaSalle Street, Chicago. The recipes were prepared by the Home Economics Department of the Association in collaboration with the Home Economics Department of the University of Chicago.

PERSONALS

Miss Ethel J. McCoy of Bristol, Tenn., director of Camp Junaluska, is planning to attend, this summer, the First World's Convention on International Exchange of Youth which is to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark, June 9-11.

From editor of the evening *Whang-doodle* at Camp Icahowan to secretary to the president of the United States is a long jump, but there are many young business men in Minneapolis who remember the days, not so long ago, when George Akerson, President Herbert Hoover's secretary, was guiding the destinies of the Y camp paper through several seasons.

Mr. Akerson was a member of the Minneapolis Y as a boy, taking part in its activities, and spending several summers at the Minneapolis Y camp, Camp Icahowan. He was a newspaper reporter and Washington correspondent before President Hoover selected him as his secretary.

At the camp craft course conducted by the Springfield College, Springfield, Mass. in April, William H. Ball, Camp Roosevelt on Lake Champlain, was one of the teachers. Many Springfield College men served as counselors during the camping season.

The Alleghany *Rattler* is the name of the paper published by Camp Alleghany, and a "rattling" good paper it is. Eight columns of the kind of news that interests campers and counselors. The directors, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh S. Worthington, are to be congratulated on having such an excellent corps of editors.

Angelo Patri is a firm believer in the summer camp, and each spring he writes an article which is syndicated through the daily newspapers. On March 26, in his write-up on camps, he calls attention to the danger of making camp a replica of the school and pleads for the kind of camp education that will broaden the horizon of boys and girls; the woodsy camps, the sea and the forest and the sky should bring to them new experiences and happiness.

Beatrice A. Hunt, director of Camp Cowasset, is the author of an excellent article on the Cape Cod summer camps which appeared in the *Fall River Line Journal* for March, 1929.

Laura I. Mattoon, our efficient secretary-treasurer, was one of the lecturers on the camp leadership course conducted by the New Hampshire State College. Her subject was "Activities and Programs." Dr. Clow of Wolfeboro, N. H. who gave such a helpful talk on "Health" at the Atlantic City meeting in 1928 gave one of the lectures in this course.

Dick Victor did a mighty generous thing when he had duplicated a complete membership roster of the C.D.A. and presented copies to the directors. Thank you, Dick!

Clarence E. Allen, director of Camp Chewonki, Wiscasset, Maine, and one of

the associate editors of *Camping* since its reception has been appointed headmaster of the famous Rivers School, Brookline, Mass. Mr. Allen was connected with the Country Day School, Newton, Mass. for eighteen years.

Dwight L. Rogers, Jr., co-director of Camp Bonnie Dune and chairman of the National Conferences Committee, was married to Miss Marion Tyndall in New York, Wednesday, April 3, 1929. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are spending this month in Honeymoon Land.

DAVID LAYTON HONORED

The following interesting news appeared in the *New York Times*, March 24, 1929, and *Camping* congratulates friend Layton upon the honor conferred.

When David Layton, 60-year-old summer camp director of Camp Chinqueka, appeared at Teachers College two weeks ago to enroll for the ninth time as a student in the camp leadership course offered there every spring, he learned that he had set a record for scholarly persistence. But yesterday he learned that he had set a new precedent when college officials refused to accept tuition charges from him, explaining to him that "any one so interested in a course that he repeats it eight times deserves some measure of recognition."

Thus for the next two months Mr. Layton will be a guest of the school, and for the ninth time he will hear lectures on the latest developments in camping life and out-of-door pastimes, and will take part in the discussions held every Monday night.

Mr. Layton has missed the course only one year since its beginning in 1919, and has attended classes faithfully. He has now attained the enviable position of being able to interrupt a professor's lecture and correct his mistakes in an almost casual manner, and has become the class authority on camping problems.

He believes that camping will soon become a favorite recreation for New Yorkers living in crowded apartments. Finding that thorough courses in camp leadership are not offered to any great extent in American colleges, he has chosen to learn all he can from the only course offered at Teachers College dealing with this subject. Dr. Elbert K. Fretwell, professor of English, has been in charge of the embryo "camping department" during the entire time.

"I learn something new every time I take the course," Mr. Layton said yesterday. "The subject is so broad and comprehensive that one can hardly touch it in a semester's study."

Mr. Layton is national secretary of Phi Beta Kappa. He is a graduate of Rutgers and a former school teacher.

OUR GUEST

For the fourth summer the Association will entertain at member camps a British

teacher from London who is sent to this country by the English Speaking Union of London, for the purpose of studying progressive educational methods.

This year the guest is Honorable Mildred Lowther, daughter of the Viscount Ullswater, who was at one time Speaker of the House of Commons, and the niece of Lord Lonsdale. Miss Lowther has traveled extensively. She is camp advisor to the Girl Guides Association and was assistant commandant at the World Camp in 1926. Miss Lowther will visit particularly the western and southern camps.

THAT'S CAMP

A smell of pine; a lovely view;
The lap of water, sapphire blue;
Hills green that hold their heads on high,
And forests deep that hide the sky;
Black swamps within whose dark, damp
shroud
Grow lady slippers cool and proud.
That's camp.

A wood tick here, a wood tick there;
Cold rain that flattens any hair;
A sunburned back; a freckled nose;
A bloodsucker between one's toes;
A mouse that runs across the floor
And brings forth screams from those next
door.
That's camp.

That thrill of aiming a bow;
Of riding in the big horse show;
Of baking biscuits in a pan
And trying to eat them if you can;
Of work and play that never cease
Till taps' sound brings forth both rest
and peace.
That's camp.

But, best of all, the friendships sweet
We form with all the pals we meet;
The kind that always last for years
And make us blue when parting nears;
The friendly chat, the cheery smile—
Those are the things we find worth while—
That's camp.

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seek the enrollment of their boys for our camps.

Nearly thirty years ago some of the leading educators of the East, headed by the late President Eliot of Harvard, voiced their approval at a meeting held in the rooms of the Twentieth Century Club, Boston, and spoke of it as a movement of especial educational value in the development of character mind and body.

The meeting was an harmonious whole and the directors present stated clearly what they wished to accomplish. There was no thought then of the personal money value. The development of the man for the future was the one consideration.

Parents sometimes are afraid to send their children to camp because of the lack of moral training in some camps. They fear the results and judge all camps by the failure of one to have and require a moral standard among the campers.

In one case a boy who had been started right was gotten from a camp by unethical means and after two summers in that camp and one in the school adjunct returned to his former school, a marked boy among his associates because of his vulgarity, profanity, dishonesty, untruthfulness and disregard of the rights of others.

The remedy for this lies with camp directors and we must act without hesitation.

A boy who had been refused readmission to a camp went to another camp the next year and wrote from there to his old camp mates a letter in which was this expression, "You ought to come over here. Here you can do just as you damn please and no one says a word."

The ethics of the profession must be loyally lived up to if the future of camping is to be one of moral uplift instead of moral degeneration.

The above statement of a fact is made to open the eyes of those who are desirous of keeping the camp movement above suspicion and to arouse the honest element among camp directors to the ultimate doom of the camp unless a remedy can be found.

Unfortunately we have to contend with that element whose sole object is the ledger balance at the end of the year.

When a man or woman is ready to barter the soul of the child for filthy lucre, he should be read out of the Association and the public should know the reason why.

The future of the child is of paramount importance. A child received in camp is a sacred trust and must be so considered by the director.

The camp should be only large enough to enable the director to study each child, learn its strong and weak points, and devise a means to strengthen the good and eliminate the bad.

At camp the child needs constant guidance and supervision and often firm re-

straint. The rules of the camp should be so clearly defined and posted where all may read that even the youngest may understand and appreciate.

The things not allowed should also be written and posted that all may read. Infringements of these rules should be kindly but firmly dealt with. Save the child if you can. If you cannot, remove the law breaker.

One evil-minded child can do more harm than a dozen good ones can remedy. He works in the dark.

Do not think of the dollar, but of the future of the rest. In this way only will you succeed in holding each child up to a standard.

In dealing with a child you must remember the same method cannot be used in all cases. Temperaments differ. A quiet talk with the child, making clear the good or harm their course of action may do to themselves in after life is usually successful. If you can get to the heart of the child by kind methods, you develop a worshipper who follows your teaching.

A wise director will always be ready to give a series of talks to the whole camp which will teach the harm of a careless mode of living and the value of a persistent effort to be courteous, helpful and always to play the game of life on the square. The seed thus sown may lie dormant for years but the time will come when it will germinate and grow like the biblical mustard seed, and lead to honorable success.

We camp directors have it in our power to elevate the standard of our nation. When so many parents are teaching their children to become law breakers by their violation of the Volstead Act, some one must come to the rescue. We, as camp directors, can, without being personal, prove to the campers that national laws as well as camp laws are made for the good of all and that now is the time to lay the foundation for loyalty, integrity and respect for the rights of others.

Today crime is rampant in the United States. If it continues what will be the result? History tells us that "Westward the march of empire takes its way." Where does the Orient stand today with the exception of that recent hermit nation. We know that the Medes and Persians, Egypt, Greece, and Italy fell when at the height of their prestige. Why? Because of immorality and drunkenness.

We, as a nation, now stand at the head of the world financially, politically and in saving grace, yet there is the danger that history may repeat itself.

Let us then throw all our strength into the work of developing the man and woman of the future, who will by their honesty of purpose and untiring zeal keep our country from disaster; and help to keep it the leading power of the world, able and willing to help to keep universal peace and prosperity.

We can do much, if we act as a body, to elevate the standard of America by our work during the two months when we

have the opportunity and are in contact with so many pliable minds.

To do this each camp director must fall into line, work for the future of the child, and through the child for the future of our country.

A year ago there was a great stir regarding the formation of a chain of camps, a movement which, if consummated, would undermine the whole future of the camp.

The commercializing of the camp life and the struggle to build up a big camp regardless of the code of camp ethics is disastrous to the development of a standard of excellence.

In an overgrown camp this is impossible in so short a vacation which gives hardly time to get acquainted with each member.

Now, at the opening of the coming camp season, let us all unite in a definite resolve to work for the rising generation and throw into the work all the best there is in us to develop the man and woman of the future and spend less time in looking at our ledger balance.

Only by the united action of earnest and honest men and women can the ultimate failure of the camp movement be saved, and remain a help from an educational standpoint. Let it not corrode and waste away in oblivion, leaving a bad taste behind.

Now is the time to stand shoulder to shoulder and save a noble work from decay.

MORE CAMP CATALOGUES

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book which is a map design in the style of seventeenth century cartography. A hand-drawn map of the camp itself is used as a middle spread of the book, which is full of beautiful activity pictures of this fascinating camp for boys.

A real picture for a cover. With a half-tone picture bled off the page, Pine Knoll attracts attention to its camp catalogue. The delightful mellowness seen in this picture, and the pictures inside the book, does much to reflect the sunshine one enjoys at camp.

The importance of the frontispiece was realized by the director of Camp Chocanut. In this catalogue the superb scenery picture on the frontispiece at once wins your favor for the camp.

NOTE: *Camping* will be glad to receive copies of camp catalogues for review.

WARNING!

Dr. J. Wilfred Allen, national chairman of the C. D. A. Committee on Health, calls the attention of camp directors of camps in Maine and Massachusetts to the fact that on account of the many cases of smallpox in certain localities in these two states, they should see that campers bring with them certificates showing that they have been vaccinated within the required period.

BOOK REVIEWS

(Continued from page 6)

Katahdin Camps. By C. A. STEPHENS. Illustrated by Jacob Bates Abbott. Houghton Mifflin Co. \$1.75.

Long before the modern camp came into existence, C. A. Stephens took a group of enthusiastic boys, in their "teens" on a camping expedition into the heart of the Maine woods and Mt. Katahdin. Malcolm Knox — dubbed "Hard Knocks" by his comrades — became the president of the little republic which the boys formed. The story follows them in a brisk, realistic way through their adventures with the elements and a variety of animals, ranging from lynx kittens to bears and bull moose.

Some of the most exciting moments are made even more colorful by Jacob Bates Abbott's graphic illustrations. To read *Katahdin Camps* is to live in the spell of the Maine woods and all of their exciting treasures.

MARIAN KING

Skip-Come-A-Lou. By ADA CLAIRE DARBY. Frontispiece by M. L. Kirk. Frederick A. Stokes Company.

Seasoned with a quaint and charming atmosphere is this little story of old pioneer days, which glides along to the tune of the joyous Missouri dance song, "Skip-Come-A-Lou." Medora's father leaves her under the vigilant eyes of the Sevier family, hosts of a friendly old tavern at Arrow-rock, while he joins a western-bound caravan in quest of gold and adventure. Medora's adventures that year are by no means a poor match for her father's, for she is by nature a fanciful and prankish child whose life is ever stirring and spirited. Medora's personality permeates the story, while that of Malinda, the gentle and capable inn keeper's daughter, and Jimmy, the capricious little slave girl, are felt strongly.

Here is presented a new and charmingly intimate glimpse of "W. Irving, Esq." which will endear him more powerfully than ever to the child's mind.

The boy and girl of eight or twelve will adore this book, for the point of view is so closely theirs.

MARIAN KING

The Young Decorators. By NANCY McCLELLAND. Harper Brothers. \$2.50.

Here is a fascinating book on arts and decorations for children.

The story depicts the way in which four children supervise as well as construct their own plans for their own rooms in a new house which is being built. The story part is well preserved, while the reader is taking in many colorful notes as well as learning something in connection with interior decoration.

The book is beautifully illustrated by Rudolph Stanley Brown. Mr. Brown has given the book an interesting end paper and a beautifully designed cover jacket.

The information in this unique volume will be of service to grown-ups as well.

MARIAN KING

Tuftoo, the Clown. By HOWARD R. GARIS. Illustrated by James Daugherty. D. Appleton & Co. \$2.00.

Howard Garis, who has already endeared himself to all children and many adults by his Uncle Wiggly stories, has written for us this time quite a different type of book. This one tells about life with a marionette show.

How Molla and Dick, two orphans, found Tuftoo, a clown marionette, when he got lost from the show, and how they finally happened to travel with the marionettes, and the story of the life with this fascinating road show, make up the trend of this delightful story.

The illustrations are lovely, and the story is wholesome and diverting, with plenty of plot and action.

MARIAN KING

Wonder Tales from Windmill Lands. By FRANCES JENKINS OLCOTT. Illustrated by Herman Rosse. Longmans, Green & Co. \$2.00.

This book is one of the finest collections of folk tales from foreign lands written within the last year or so. It seems to have caught the point of view of the people of the country, and to have lost comparatively little in its translation.

Holland is divided into many sections, and each division has its own traditions and stories. They have a decided appeal for American readers because most of them are new and distinct. They abound in humor as evidenced in the story that explains why there are no longer any giants in Limberg, the land of fun and laughter.

The book is beautifully illustrated, the coloring in the frontispiece being particularly effective. The book in its entirety is wholly interesting and elucidating.

MARIAN KING

The Fountain of Youth. By PADRAIC COLUM. Decorations by Jay Van Everen. The MacMillan Co. \$1.75.

This is a group of "stories to be told" compiled by the author from longer works which he has written. The tales range from excerpts from "The Peep-show Man" to "The Story of Achilles," and each is vitally interesting.

While each of the stories in this book is a part of a whole, the tales herein seem complete in themselves. They merely serve to whet the appetite for the rest of Padraic Colum's works. If you like mythology, fairy tales, or fantasies you will find them all here.

The decorations by Van Everen are most interesting. This book is fascinating reading and it will prove equally enjoyable to an audience.

MARIAN KING

Chico the Circus Cherub. By STELLA BURKE MAY. Illustrated by Bernice Oehler. Appleton Co. \$2.00.

Bright streamers, white horses, parades and band music — all this and much more form the background into which Chico, the circus cherub, was born. His mother, Mimi, and his father, Rico, were the star trapeze performers. This story has all the glamor of the sawdust ring plus a glimpse

into the lives of the performers, and the delightful story of a baby growing up in a traveling circus.

From the time Chico was born, he was bred in the ways of a circus troupe. All day long he lay in a trunk-tray bed on top of the popcorn stand in a menagerie tent, while his mother and father performed their act. Chico knew every animal in the menagerie by the time he was three, and all the animals knew and loved him, especially Gog, the baby elephant.

Chico, after trying everything in the circus from the trapeze to riding a Rosinbach (because even though he might choose another part to play, it was unheard of not to try them all) Chico resolved to become a star clown like his dear friend Jim-jo.

This story is delightfully illustrated, and it has all the glowing tinsel of life in a circus. It is as fascinating as crawling under a main tent.

MARIAN KING

"CAMPING"

AIDS TO WAYS AND MEANS

Mr. David S. Keiser of the Pennsylvania Section has suggested that in one particular corner of *Camping* there should be space each month for a compendium of valuable and interesting information. Will not the members of the Association use a few of their "between whites" to jot down ways and means that they have discovered as excellent aids in developing and guiding the life in camp?

The items below are sent in by Mr. Keiser. From this date each member should constitute him or herself a member of Mr. Keiser's committee and mail in to him information for this corner. There is no limit to the list you may send. Contribute at least a postal card's worth of news.

Mr. David S. Keiser
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1. Camp Anthony Wayne has discovered that Casin aeroplane glue when applied to canvas patches for canoes makes a much better job than the conventional use of tacks.

2. Another camp has found it better never to scrape canoes, but instead to use automobile paint. The paint does not crack off, neither does it lose its gloss.

3. At Camp Anaconda five-foot totem poles are made and painted by the boys — the ultimate destination being the front yard back home. Query: What do the poor lads do with theirs if they live in apartment houses?

4. Another camp has adopted the practice of printing and storing away a several years' supply of catalog pages. Their annual booklet, therefore, comes out with a new cover, a few new pages with up-to-date cuts and a lot of "old" pages with time-proven cuts.

Queries of the Month

Has any camp built a sheltered rifle range, for rainy day shooting?

Has any camp built permanent piers?

EDITORIALS

(Continued from page 2)

A most interesting as well as practical article in this issue of *Camping* is that of Donald M. Chappel, one of the executives of the Eastman Kodak Company, on the subject of holding the interest of camp through photography. Read it carefully and determine to do your share in making photography in your camp something more than mere "snapping" of events and persons. Can you imagine anything more fascinating than the making of picture stories about "My Acquaintance with Wild Life at Camp," "The Day We Went to Our Neighbor Camp," "Fun in the Water," "Some Campers I have Met," "Highways and By-Ways," "Hiking with Eyes as Well as Feet." Try it out.

Dr. DeMerritte, one of the camping pioneers, presents his views on "The Future of Camping." In the whirl of modernity we are apt to forget that much of today's success in camping may be attributed to the splendid foundations laid by the pioneers. We would do well to check up on our progress to make sure that it is not merely motion.

The Council Fire picture on the cover of this issue, is by courtesy of the Luther Gulick Camps.

The July number of *Camping* will be for counselors and campers. The August number will contain summer happenings. To make these two issues bristle with news items, helpful suggestions, and readable material, we will appreciate your sending to the editor the necessary material. Each month will show improvement in your magazine if you will do your part.

There is a tablet erected on Norfolk Green, Connecticut, with its beautiful elms, set in 1788, which bears these lines, written by the Reverend John Gleason, afterwards of Amherst College:

"Caesar saw fifty; we an hundred years,
Still green an hundred more we'll stand like seers,
And watch the generations as they go,
Beneath our branches in their ceaseless flow."

The planting of the elms in that New England village green one hundred and forty years ago, no doubt was an event characterized by the faith of the participants who believed that succeeding generations would love and cherish and protect trees in the same manner as they did at that time.

In many camps, tree planting and reforestation is becoming an important project of the program. Trees named after prominent camp pioneers, for former campers, directors, tent groups, counselors, or for nature lovers such as John Burroughs, Thoreau, Kilmer, our own Vinal, and others who have done so much to arouse a love for the beauty of trees and nature, would not only be of special interest to campers but would serve to instill in their minds an appreciation of those who have contributed richly to the camp life which they are today enjoying.

Directors, examine your program and discover how much time is being devoted to the work of creating a love for trees among the campers.

The announcement of a Conference on Woodcraft and Forestry for Counselors and other members of summer camps to be held at Camp Kehonka, Wolfeboro, N. H., June 18-25, will be hailed with delight by those who believe in the spirit of this editorial.

An excellent course in campcraft is given at the University of Illinois, by Wendell S. Wilson, who is the assistant varsity football coach, and the associate director of the Rocky Mountain Boys Camp at Estes Park, Colorado. He is also a member of the Camp Directors Association. The course includes: (1) history of the camp movement; (2) types of camp; (3) camp organization; (4) camp education; (5) boy psychology; (6) outstanding problems of the leader or counselor; (7) camp activities; (8) scheduling of activities; (9) water sports; (10) use of canoes; (11) the temporary camp; (12) hiking, observation; (13) religion in camp; (14) camp awards and records; (15) the camp directors association of America; (16) what every director expects of the leader or counselor.

Mills College, California, conducts its annual field hockey and sports camp, June 29-July 28, under the direction of Rosalind Cassidy of the Department of Physical Education. A demonstration camp is operated in Nevada County in connection with the course.

The Nature Training School in Gardner Lake, Conn. opened June 1, and continues until June 29, under the auspices of the Coordinating Council on Nature Activities of the American Museum of Natural History. Dr. Bertha Chapman Cady is the director.

"Uncle Bill" Vinal's Nature Guide School at Western Reserve Academy, Hudson, Ohio opens June 22 and closes August 2. There is only one "Uncle Bill" and we congratulate those who are fortunate in being under his guiding hand and voice during the sessions of the school.

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